

What is claimed is:

1. An image forming device connected to a network comprising:

an interface receiving a print job;

a memory storing location information of one or more other devices connected with said device via the network;

a processor executing a process of transferring a portion of or all of the received print job to one or more transfer destinations that are included in said other devices; and

a printing unit printing location information of said transfer destinations to which the print job is transferred.

2. The image forming device according to the claim 1, wherein said processor divides the received print job and transfers a portion of the print job as a result of the division.

3. The image forming device according to the claim 2, wherein said processor divides the received print job into printable pages and non-printable pages in said device, and transfers the non-printable pages among the received print job.

4. The image forming device according to the claim 2, wherein said processor divides the received print job into color image pages and monochromatic image pages, and transfers either the color pages or the monochromatic pages among the received print job.

5. The image forming device according to the claim 2, wherein

said processor divides the received print job according to page sizes, and transfers the pages of at least one size among the received print job.

6. The image forming device according to the claim 2, wherein said printing unit prints location information of said transfer destinations on a sheet of paper with one or more characteristics that are different from those of other pages of the print job.

7. The image forming device according to the claim 6, wherein said printing unit prints location information of said transfer destinations on a sheet of paper of a size that is different from that of other pages of the print job.

8. The image forming device according to the claim 6, wherein said printing unit prints location information of said transfer destinations on a sheet of paper of a color that is different from that of other pages of the print job.

9. The image forming device according to the claim 6, wherein said printing unit prints location information of said transfer destinations on a sheet of paper with an orientation that is different from that of other pages of the print job.

10. The image forming device according to the claim 2, wherein said printing unit prints location information of said transfer destinations in a color that is different from that of other pages of the print job.

11. The image forming device according to the claim 2, wherein said printing unit prints location information of said transfer destinations adding a mark that is different from that of other pages of the print job.

12. The image forming device according to the claim 2, wherein said processor divides the received print job by page and transfers it.

13. The image forming device according to the claim 2, wherein said processor divides the received print job by number of copies and transfers it.

14. The image forming device according to the claim 1, further comprising an error detecting sensor, wherein

said processor transfers a portion or all of the received print job when an error is detected.

15. The image forming device according to the claim 14, wherein the error detected by said sensor is toner emptiness.

16. The image forming device according to the claim 14, wherein the error detected by said sensor is paper emptiness.

17. The image forming device according to the claim 1, further comprising a font memory, wherein

said processor transfers a portion or all of the received print job when a font specified in the received print job is not stored in said font memory.

18. The image forming device according to the claim 1, wherein

said printing unit prints a map showing said transfer destinations to which the print job is transferred.

19. The image forming device according to the claim 1, wherein
said processor divides the received print job and transfers a portion of the print job obtained as a result of the division; and

said printing unit insert-prints location information of said transfer destinations to which the print job is transferred in place of pages that correspond to the portion of the print job that is transferred.

20. The image forming device according to the claim 19, wherein said printing unit prints the location information of said transfer destinations on a sheet of paper with one or more characteristics that are different from those of other pages of the print job.

21. The image forming device according to the claim 20, wherein said printing unit prints the location information of said transfer destinations on a sheet of paper of a size that is different from that of other pages of the print job.

22. The image forming device according to the claim 20, wherein said printing unit prints the location information of said transfer destinations on a sheet of paper with a color that is different from that of other pages of the print job.

23. The image forming device according to the claim 20,

wherein said printing unit prints the location information of said transfer destinations on a sheet of paper with an orientation that is different from that of other pages of the print job.

24. The image forming device according to the claim 19, wherein said printing unit prints the location information of said transfer destinations in a color that is different from that of other pages of the print job.

25. The image forming device according to the claim 19, wherein said printing unit prints location information of said transfer destinations adding a mark that is different from that of other pages of the print job.

26. The image forming device according to the claim 19, wherein said processor divides the received print job by page and transfers it.

27. The image forming device according to the claim 19, wherein said processor divides the received print job by number of copies and transfers it.

28. The image forming device according to the claim 1, wherein
said processor divides the received print job and transfers a portion of the print job obtained as a result of the division; and

said printing unit prints location information of said transfer destinations to which the print job is transferred

correlatively with the page numbers of the transferred pages.

29. A control method for an image forming device connected to a network comprising:

a step of receiving a print job;

a transfer step of transferring a portion or all of the received print job to one or more transfer destinations that are included in one or more other devices connected with said image forming device via the network;

a step of accessing a memory, in which locations of said other devices are stored in advance, to acquire the location information of said transfer destinations to which the print job is transferred;

a printing step of causing said image forming device to print the obtained location information of said transfer destinations.

30. A control method according to the claim 29, further comprising a step of dividing the received job, wherein

said transfer step transfers a portion of the print job obtained as a result of the division; and

said printing step insert-prints the location information of said transfer destinations to which the print job is transferred in place of pages that correspond to the portion of the print job that is transferred.

31. A control method according to the claim 29, further

comprising a step of dividing the received job, wherein

said transfer step transfers a portion of the print job obtained as a result of the division; and

said printing step prints the location information of said transfer destinations to which the print job is transferred correlatively with the page numbers of the transferred pages.

32. A computer program product for controlling an image forming device connected to a network executing:

a procedure for receiving a print job;

a transfer procedure for transferring a portion or all of the received print job to one or more transfer destinations that are included in one or more other devices connected with said image forming device via the network;

a procedure for accessing a memory, in which locations of said other devices are stored in advance, to acquire the location information of said transfer destinations to which the print job is transferred;

a printing procedure for causing said image forming device to print the obtained location information of said transfer destinations.

33. A computer program product according to the claim 32, further executing a procedure of dividing the received job, wherein

said transfer procedure transfers a portion of the print job obtained as a result of the division; and

said printing procedure insert-prints the location information of said transfer destinations to which the print job is transferred in place of pages that correspond to the portion of the print job that is transferred.

34. A computer program product according to the claim 32, further comprising a procedure of dividing the received job, wherein

said transfer procedure transfers a portion of the print job obtained as a result of the division; and

said printing procedure prints the location information of said transfer destinations to which the print job is transferred correlatively with the page numbers of the transferred pages.